

London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London NW9 4EW 6 December 2019 Our ref: 5796968

Thank you for your request received on 15 November 2019, for the following information:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from your Procurement/Finance department:

Q1. Who provides your organisation with payment services management e.g. debit/credit card payment, direct debit etc?. This is the organisation (e.g. Civica, Capita, Worldpay) which manages the transactions for which a monthly fee is charged.

- Q2. What is the length of the contract with your payment services provider and when does the contract expire?
- Q3. Is there any provision for extension of the payment services contract and if so for how long?

We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

The council holds the information requested and it is attached/ the answers to your questions are below

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Card processing services are provided by Barclaycard and Capita. Both contracts have passed their minimum periods and have six months rolling notice period.

Q2. What is the length of the contract with your payment services provider and when does the contract expire?

Our Account Payable Service is undertaken by Capita, as part of the Core CSG Contract. The contract has 3 years to run, from the original start date of 2014.

Q3. Is there any provision for extension of the payment services contract and if so for how long?

The current CSG Contract which includes Accounts Payable, has the option for a 5 year extension https://open.barnet.gov.uk/dataset/customer-and-support-group-csq-contract

Further information

If you are interested in the data that the council holds you may wish to visit Open Barnet, the council's data portal. This brings together all our published datasets and other information of interest on one searchable database for anyone, anywhere to access. http://open.barnet.gov.uk/

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